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SUBJ: DEMONSTRATION AT SMUN ON APRIL 8, 1976

1. WE HAVE RECEIVED OFFICIAL NOTE DATED APRIL 12, 1976
FROM SMUN EXPRESSING CONCERN OVER DEMONSTRATION BY JDL
ON APRIL 8, 1976.

2. IT CONCEDES THAT A STRENGTHENED POLICE DETAIL PREVENTED
THE USUAL ACTS OF VIOLENCE AND THAT THE USUAL SHRIEKS AND
OBSCENITIES WERE NOT HEARD. HOWEVER IT STRONGLY PROTESTS
THE PLACARDS WHICH THE DEMONSTRATORS CARRIED, AND SUGGESTS
THAT US MEDIA WOULD RAGE IF SUCH PLACARDS THREATENING
AMERICAN DIPLOMATS WERE CARRIED AT US EMBASSY IN MOSCOW.
NOTE CONCLUDES WITH REITERATION OF DEMAND THAT EFFECTIVE
PROTECTIVE MEASURES BE TAKEN TO GUARANTEE SECURITY OF
SMUN AND ITS PERSONNEL.

QUOTE:

INFORMAL TRANSLATION: SOVIET MISSION NOTE #270 TO USUN,
APRIL 12, 1976

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"THE PERMANENT MISSION OF THE UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS TO THE UNITED NATIONS PRESENTS ITS COMPLIMENTS TO THE UNITED STATES MISSION TO THE UNITED NATIONS AND HAS THE HONOR TO REPORT THE FOLLOWING.

"DESPITE REPEATED ASSURANCES IN OFFICIAL NOTES OF THE US MISSION CONCERNING THE TAKING OF EFFECTIVE MEASURES ON THE AMERICAN SIDE, HOSTILE MOBS THREATENING ATTEMPTS ON THE LIVES OF SOVIET DIPLOMATS ARE CONTINUING NEAR THE USSR MISSION BUILDING.

"ON APRIL 8, 1976, ABOUT 20 MEMBERS OF THE FASCISTIC ZIONIST MAFIA PARTICIPATED IN A RECURRENT HOSTILE-PROCOVATIVE GATHERING HELD FROM 7:40 P.M. TO 9:30 P.M.

"A NEW ELEMENT IN THIS, HOWEVER, APPEARS SIMPLY TO BE DUE TO THE FACT THAT, DURING THE PICKETING A STRENGTHENED POLICE DETAIL HAD BEEN ASSIGNED AND ACTIVELY RESTRAINED THE DEMONSTRATORS, THUS ENSURING THE PREVENTION OF THE USUAL PAST ACTS OF VIOLENCE BY THEM AGAINST USSR MISSION PERSONNEL. THE PICKETING ITSELF PROCEEDED WITHOUT THE USUAL LOUD AND REPETITIVE CHANTING OF INSULTING SHRIEKS AND ABSENCE CURSING AND THREATS AGAINST SOVIET CITIZENS, WHICH ARE BENEATH THE DIGNITY OF CIVILIZED PEOPLE.

"ALL THIS CONFORMS THE CONCLUSION WHICH WAS DRAWN BY THE USSR MISSION IN ITS NOTE OF APRIL 5, 1976, REFERRING TO THE FACT THAT, IF THEY WISH, THE AMERICAN AUTHORITIES CAN TAKE STEPS TO CONTROL THESE HOSTILE ELEMENTS AND TO PREVENT ACTS OF VIOLENCE BY THEM, AS WELL AS NOT ALLOWING INFRINGEMENT ON THE PERSON AND PROPERTY OF MISSION EMPLOYEES.

"THE USSR MISSION, NOTING THESE POSITIVE ASPECTS, AT THE SAME TIME CANNOT BUT DRAW ATTENTION TO THE FACT THAT, ON THE PLACARDS WHICH THE PICKETERS MENTIONED CARRIED, APPEALS AND INSCRIPTIONS OF A CRIMINALLY PUNISHABLE NATURE CONTINUED TO FIGURE AS PREVIOUSLY AND BEAR WITNESS TO THE CRIMINAL INTENTIONS OF THE FASCISTIC ZIONIST MAFIA WHICH HAD ORGANIZED THIS PICKETING TO PLAN TO CARRY OUT ATTEMPTS ON THE LIVES OF SOVIET AND 'UN-NIK' BEGIN BRACKETS 'OONOVSKY' END BRACKETS DIPLOMATS IN NEW YORK. IN UNCLASSIFIED

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PARTICULAR, THE FOLLOWING INSCRIPTIONS ON THE PLACARDS WHICH WERE CARRIED BY THE PICKETERS NEAR THE USSR MISSION BUILDING ON APRIL 8 TESTIFY TO THIS: 'RUSSIAN BLOOD ON THE STREETS OF NEW YORK', 'TWO RUSSIANS FOR EVERY JEW', '(THE JEWISH DEFENSE LEAGUE WILL ANNIHILATE THE UN BEGIN BRACKETS 'OONOVSKY' END BRACKETS ANTI-SEMITES AND THEIR FAMILIES'.

"ONE CAN IMAGINE THE HUE AND CRY WHICH THE US MASS INFORMATION MEDIA WOULD SET UP IF SIMILAR THREATENING PLACARDS AGAINST AMERICAN DIPLOMATS WERE CARRIED AT THE US EMBASSY BUILDING IN MOSCOW.

"IN VIEW OF THE OPENLY STATED CRIMINAL INTENTION OF THE FASCISTIC ZIONIST MAFIA TO PLAN AND CARRY OUT ATTEMPTS ON THE LIVES OF SOVIET DIPLOMATS, THE USSR MISSION CANNOT LOOK WITH EQUANIMITY UPON THESE CRIMINAL INTENTIONS NOR, EQUALLY, CAN IT NOT AGREE WITH THE OPINION OF THE US MISSION THAT 'ALL NECESSARY EFFECTIVE MEASURES' HAVE BEEN TAKEN ON THE AMERICAN SIDE FOR GUARANTEEING THE SECURITY OF THE USSR MISSION AND ITS PERSONNEL.

"THE MISSION AGAIN AND VERY URGENTLY DEMANDS THAT THE AMERICAN AUTHORITIES TAKE ACTIVELY EFFECTIVE MEASURES GUARANTEEING THE SECURITY OF THE USSR MISSION TO THE UN AND ITS PERSONNEL, SECURING NORMAL WORKING CONDITIONS AND PUTTING AN END TO THE HOSTILE THREATS OF ATTEMPTS ON THE LIVES OF SOVIET DIPLOMATS IN AN EFFECTIVE MANNER.

"NEW YORK, APRIL 12, 1976".

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